



ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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National Environmental Justice Advisory Council; Notification of Public Teleconference Meeting and Public Comment

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notification of Public Teleconference Meeting and Public Comment.

SUMMARY: The United States The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) hereby provides notice in agreement with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, that the National Environmental Justice Advisory Council (NEJAC) will host a **public teleconference meeting on Wednesday, November 14, 2012, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time**. The primary topics of discussion will be:

- Proposed Recommendations for Fostering Environmental Justice for Tribes and Indigenous Peoples.
- Enhancing Public Engagement and Environmental Justice into Permitting.
- Revisions to the NEJAC Model Plan for Public Participation.

There will be a public comment period **from 2:15 p.m. to 2:45 p.m. Eastern Time**. Members of the public are encouraged to provide comments relevant to the topics of the meeting.

For additional information about registering to attend the meeting or to provide public comment, please see the “REGISTRATION” and “SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION” sections below. Due to a limited number of telephone lines, attendance will be on a first-come basis. **Pre-registration is required. Registration for the teleconference meeting closes at 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, November 9, 2012. The deadline to sign up to speak during the public comment period, or to submit written public comments, is also Friday, November 9, 2012.**

DATE: The NEJAC teleconference meeting on **Wednesday, November 14, 2012**, will begin promptly at **2:00 p.m. Eastern Time**.

REGISTRATION: Registrations will primarily be processed via the NEJAC meeting Web page, www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/nejac/meetings.html. Registrations can also be submitted by email to NEJACNov2012Mtg@AlwaysPursuingExcellence.com with “Register for the NEJAC November 2012 Teleconference” in the subject line; or by phone or fax to 877-773-0779. When registering, please provide your name, organization, city and state, email address, and telephone number for follow up. Please also state whether you would like to be put on the list to provide public comment, and whether you are submitting written comments before the **Friday, November 9, 2012**, deadline. Non-English speaking attendees wishing to arrange for a foreign language interpreter may also make appropriate arrangements using the email address or telephone/fax number.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: Questions or correspondence concerning the teleconference meeting should be directed to Mr. Aaron Bell, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, by mail at 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW (MC2201A), Washington, DC 20460; by telephone at 202-564-1044; via email at Bell.Aaron@epa.gov; or by fax at 202-564-1624.

Additional information about the NEJAC and upcoming meetings is available at:

www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/nejac.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: The Charter of the NEJAC states that the advisory committee shall provide independent advice to the Administrator on areas that may include, among other things, “advice about broad, cross-cutting issues related to environmental justice, including environment-related strategic, scientific, technological, regulatory, and economic issues related to environmental justice.”

A. Public Comment: **Members of the public who wish to attend the Wednesday, November 14, 2012, public teleconference or provide public comment must pre-register by 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, November 9, 2012.** Individuals or groups making remarks during the public comment period will be limited to five minutes. To accommodate the large number of

people who want to address the NEJAC, **only one representative of a particular community, organization, or group will be allowed to speak.** Written comments can also be submitted for the record. The suggested format for individuals providing public comments is as follows: name of speaker; name of organization/community; city and state; and email address; brief description of the concern, and what you want the NEJAC to advise EPA to do. Written comments received by **12:00 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, November 9, 2012**, will be included in the materials distributed to the NEJAC prior to the teleconference. Written comments received after that time will be provided to the NEJAC as time allows. All written comments should be sent to EPA's support contractor, APEX Direct, Inc., via email or fax as listed in the "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT" section above.

B. Information about Services for Individuals with Disabilities: For information about access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact Ms. Estela Rosas, EPA Contractor, APEX Direct, Inc., at 877-773-0779 or via email at NEJACNov2012Mtg@AlwaysPursuingExcellence.com. To request special accommodations for a disability, please contact Ms. Rosas at least seven working days prior to the meeting, to give EPA sufficient time to process your request. All requests should be sent to the address, email, or phone/fax number listed in the "REGISTRATION" section above.

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Date

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